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| **Colebrook School Board**  **Meeting Minutes** |

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| **Date** | 1/3/2023 |
| **Time** | 6:00 pm |
| **Location** | Colebrook Elementary School library |
| **Chairperson** | John Falconer |

**Attendance**

Attendance Legend: **P** - Present **E** - Excused **A**- Absent **R** - Remotely

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**School Board Members Principal SAU Members**

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| P | John Falconer | P | Robert Murphy | E | Kim Wheelock | P | Debra Taylor |
| P | Deb Greene | P | Tim Stevens |  | **Asst. Principal** | P | Bridget Cross |
| P | Craig Hamelin | P | Tanya Young | P | Ron Patterson |  |  |
| P | Nathan Lebel |  |  |  | **College Career & Technical Education Director** |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | P | Tia Cloutier |  |  |
| **Public in Attendance:** Stacey Campbell, Kristin Brooks, Rhonda Lyons, Deb Thompson, Wendell Woodard, Kathi Lawton-Haynes, Dawn Hall | | | | | | | | |

**Minutes**

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| **Item** | **Subject** | **Action** |
| 1. | The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Falconer at 6:00 pm. |  |
| 2. | Joint Meeting of Colebrook and Columbia School Boards  Members discussed that the current area agreement between Colebrook and Columbia will be renewed in 2026. Stacey Campbell asked that all members be provided with a copy of the agreement. She noted that voters in Columbia are most appreciative of our partnership and the excellent school system that Columbia students participate in. She noted at the current area agreement was initiated in the 1960’s and Columbia has enjoyed a long and positive partnership with Colebrook. Stacey noted that she is aware of the space constraints that exist since the school consolidated in 2019. She wondered if the school district would be able to continue to accommodate Columbia enrollees in the future. John Falconer replied that it would be the intention to continue this relationship as it now exists, and that the passage of the building project will ensure that we can accommodate our Columbia students. Debra thanked Stacey Campbell and Kristin Brooks for their ongoing participation in the Colebrook School Board Building Committee. |  |
| 3. | **Agenda Adjustments**: None |  |
| 4. | **Hearing of the Public:**  **D.Greene/R.Murphy:** Motion to open 30-minute public session at 6:07 pm.  **D.Greene/C.Hamelin**: Motion to end 30-minute public session at 6:40 pm. | **VOTE**: Motion Carries  **VOTE**: Motion Carries |
| 5. | **Reading of the Minutes:**  **D.Greene/R.Murphy**: Motion to approve the School Board minutes of December 20, 2022 as presented. | **VOTE**: Motion Carries |
| 6. | **Building Project: -** Update -  Debra reported on the upcoming PTO meeting on January 5 where the building communication team will present information concerning the building project. Voter registration will be available at that meeting.  In addition, meetings, social events and information sessions are being planned. More updates to come. She also noted that our brochure mailer will be sent to registered voters next week. . |  |
| 7. | **School Administrator’s Report:** Kim Wheelock  Ron reviewed Kim’s report and invited questions. |  |
| 8. | **College Career & Technical Education Director:** Tia Cloutier  Tia provided an oral report noting the upcoming MRE Culinary Competition on January 12. She also stated that she is looking forward to a reply to our submission for the IRC grant competition. She expects to learn of the status any day. |  |
| 9. | **Superintendent’s Report –** Debra Taylor  Debra noted the excitement that follows the new year and provided a review of accomplishments to date. She reviewed upcoming dates for Colebrook School District Public Hearings of the bond and budget – February 7 at 6:00 pm. She also noted that the Annual School Meeting is scheduled for March 7 at 6:00 pm. This meeting includes the bond vote. One must be present to vote. Voters may register up until the last week in February. Debra also noted that two school board positions will be up for election this spring. Petition filing deadlines are January 25th through February 3, 2023. Debra distributed a letter from Mr. Call who shared his perspective on the need for the new gym as part of the building project. The board thanked Mr.Call for the information. |  |
| 10. | **Business Administrator’s Report –** Bridget Cross  Budget Discussion  Bridget reviewed the revised budget analysis and discussed that the amount remains the same. Next she reviewed the updated revenue projections and tax rate summary including the estimated local tax rate for all components of the budget. She also provided a list of the balance of current expendable trust funds and a detailed list of software licenses. She also reviewed the proposed additional reductions proposed by the administration.  **D.Greene/T.Stevens**: Motion to retain the afterschool program and the school resource officer for 3 days.  The Board also asked if the school district retention funds could be applied as revenue for FY 24 budget. The Board further discussed the budget and warrant and agreed to take action at the next meeting. | **VOTE** :Motion Carries |
| 11. | **NH School Board Association Business: John Falconer**  John referenced professional development sessions and webinars which provide information to members. He also encouraged members to participate in the new board member sessions available in April. |  |
| 12. | **Co-Curricular Committee Report: Nathan Lebel**  Nate reported that the Varsity Basketball Games will occur in Farmington on Thursday as a rescheduled game. |  |
| 13. | **Building Committee Report: Craig Hamelin**  None |  |
| 14. | **Policy Committee Report: Deb Greene**  None |  |
| 15. | **Negotiations Committee Report: John Falconer**  None |  |
| 16. | **Curriculum Committee Report: Nathan Lebel**  None |  |
| 17. | **Technology Committee Report: Nathan Lebel**  None |  |
| 18. | **Unfinished Business**  None |  |
| 19. | **New Business**  None |  |
| 20. | **Information –**  None |  |
| 21. | **Non-Public Session – RSA 91-A : II (a)**  **D.Greene/ R.Murphy** : Motion to enter Nonpublic Session made at 7:11 pm.  **T.Stevens/R.Murphy**: Motion to return to public session at 8:01 pm. | **VOTE**: Motion Carries  **VOTE**: Motion Carries |
| 22. | **Meetings:**   * Colebrook School Board Meeting January 17, 2023 at 6:00 pm at CAES * Joint Meeting of Colebrook School Board and Colebrook Select Board January 17, 2023 at 7:00 pm at CAES |  |
| 23. | **Adjournment:**  **T.Stevens/C.Hamelin**: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 pm. | **VOTE**: Motion Carries |

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra J. Taylor  
 Superintendent

Minutes Adopted: January 17, 2023